

**Monroe County Art in Public Places Committee
Minutes
Monday – April 22, 2013 – 4:00 p.m.
Gato Building, 1100 Simonton Street, 1st floor Conference room, Key West**

In attendance were Committee members: Sue D'Antonio, Nance Frank, Beth Kaminstein, Jeffrey Harwell and Nancy Perez Miller; Staff: Liz Young, Jodell Roberts Other Attendees: Jane Isherwood, Non-Voting member of AIPP committee for Freeman Justice Center

Call to order

Sue D'Antonio called the meeting to order at 4:03 p.m.

Approval of Minutes of March 11, 2013

Motion: Nance moved to approve the March 11, 2013 minutes; seconded by Jeffrey. The motion was passed unanimously.

Upcoming Projects – Status Update

Conch Key Fire Station – Bill Horn, Architect. **Budget \$15,797.15** – RFP will be released with a Public Art budget of \$14,000. Liz reviewed the last meeting and Capt. Zavalny's suggestions regarding the location of public art at the fire station. Liz has spoken with Bill Horn and has contacted Chief Callahan, who has not yet responded. Sue addressed the issue of the fence and generator area being an unattractive feature of the site. There was discussion of art screening around the generator. Rather than suggesting ways to improve the generator area, artists should come up with the ideas in response to the RFP. A clear delineation of the property line is still needed. In reviewing the plan, the generator appears to be located on DOT property. We may need approval from DOT to put anything near the generator. Liz will photograph the generator location this week. It was suggested that an RFP for Conch Key alone be done due to delays with the underground sewer hook-up at the Marathon Courthouse site.

Marathon Court House – Michael Ingram, Architect **Budget \$8,311.05**. RFP will be released with a Public Art budget of \$7,200. Staff will discuss timing of the RFP with the Engineering department and report to the committee next month. The outside area plan where the public art has been determined to be located is not yet available. Plans include the removal of an underground tank.

Stock Island Fire Station – Bill Horn, Architect. **Budget \$27,347.97** RFP will be released with a Public Art budget of \$24,250. Liz showed site plans and a rendering of Fire Station to the committee and indicated two areas at the site that the committee has discussed appropriate for 2-dimensional art, both of which are located in the front of the station with one being an enclosed area. The RFP will identify both areas. It was suggested that art on the elevator shaft would also be a good location. After further discussion, the committee requested staff to obtain landscape plans. A landscape plan and a description of the bench indicated on the plan and its height are needed.

Freeman Justice Center Lobby – Lobby renovations have been approved: Bid contract was approved by the BOCC in March – The AIPP Budget will be available once the contract is signed.

Freeman Justice Center Drug Court Addition – **Budget \$5,036.00** Art budget is approx. \$4,400. Jane Isherwood stated that there are no changes to the site plan. There was discussion of combining the RFPs for the Lobby and the Drug Court Addition. Jane described the Drug Court as a licensed out-patient drug treatment facility and asked if the art chosen could have some kind of related message. There was discussion of possible art locations at the building, which Jane and Holly have also discussed. The Drug Court lobby area is open to the public, such as parents and adolescent groups. The group/meeting room was considered, which has one table with chairs around it. Jane's preference is for this room to have public art, similar to the children's room at the Justice Center and believes her clients would really appreciate the art in meeting room, even though more people would see art in a courtroom. There are plans to locate a dolphin sculpture (owned by the Drug Court) in the meeting room, which the RFP will need to take under consideration. Holly has suggested to Liz that three small courtrooms need art since the Justice Center Lobby ("JC Lobby") walls are full. The budget for JC Lobby could be \$7,000 or \$8,000 for art. A possible scenario would be to use the Art In Public Building art in meeting rooms. Jane stated that there is no security in the meeting room. A display case was suggested for client's art therapy. The Drug Court would be responsible for preparing the art for display and periodically rotating the art. The Committee will make a site visit at their meeting in May.

Per Jane, drywall is up and she will be able to move in by June 1. Asked to estimate how many people pass the drug court door per month, Jane responded that as they do drug testing for the workplace, 300 people a week at the lobby and 100 people at the drug court. Drug court is held in the courtrooms and the new facility is for the outpatient treatment program. Liz will inform Jane and Holly when next AIPP meetings will be.

Key West Airport 2nd phase – Budget \$3,043.25. No new information has come to bear to locate the budget funds. Airport staff and others involved with the relocation of the Whitehead Street Pottery piece from the arrival terminal are aware that Reen Stanhouse has removed the piece from the airport and is working on it.

The following projects have been placed **on hold** by the BOCC as of March 18, 2009:

- Old Tavernier School and Jefferson Brown Bldg.
- Marathon Emergency Operations Center – Design phase (no funds available)

Other business

Liz gave an update regarding the status of the draft Gift and Loan Policy. Nat Cassell, Assistant County Attorney, is revising the appeal process portion of the policy. Liz suggested that BOCC district commissioners be contacted by the committee once we see the next draft of the policy. There was discussion of Sculpture Key West's request to continue to site art currently located at the West Martello Tower. At its last meeting, although discussed, the committee did not make a decision to approve or disapprove the request. The County has approved the request and the sculpture will remain on temporary loan at the site for two years. The insurance for the piece is current through January 2014, which we should monitor to determine if renewed.

FAPAP Conference – May 9th-11th in St. Petersburg, Florida. Liz will attend the conference as she is on the State board. Sue and Nancy are also attending.

City of KW AIPP – The City of Key West AIPP has requested to use the County's AIPP RFQ list of qualified artists for the City. Discussion followed regarding the request. Questions of County and committee liability were raised.

The discussion turned to one of cooperating with the City AIPP, with a suggestion that when an email/notice to County qualified artists for an RFP is done, we state that there are public art opportunities at the City of Key West that can be determined by contacting the City AIPP directly.

The next AIPP committee meeting will be on May 20th at 4:00 p.m. at the Gato in Key West, with a site visit to the Freeman Justice Center. June 24 will be following meeting to be held in Marathon or Islamorada.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:13 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by:

Jodell Roberts, Business Manager